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## What is claimed is:

- A method of fabricating an assembly, comprising the steps of:
   providing a first pane having a first face, an second face, and a periphery extending
   between the first face and the second face;
- shielding at least a portion of the first face;
  shielding at least a portion of the second face; and
  applying a deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery.
- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of applying the deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery includes the step of spraying the deposit forming material.
  - 3. The method of claim 1, wherein the deposit forming material comprises an epoxy crosslinker.
  - 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the deposit forming material comprises silane.
    - 5. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the first face includes the step of applying a mask to the first face.
    - 6. The method of claim 1, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the second face includes the step of applying a sealant bead to the second face.

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7. A method of fabricating an assembly, comprising the steps of:

providing a first pane having a first face, a second face, and a periphery extending between the first face and the second face;

providing a second pane having a first face, a second face, and a periphery extending

between the first face and the second face;

shielding a portion of the first face of the second pane;
shielding a portion of the second face of the first pane; and
applying a deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery of the first pane.

- 8. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of applying the deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery of the first pane includes the step of spraying the deposit forming material.
- 9. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of applying the deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery of the first pane includes applying the deposit forming material to at least a portion of the periphery of the second pane.
  - 10. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the second face of the first pane includes the step of adhering a spacer to the second face of the first pane.
    - 11. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the first face of the second pane includes the step of adhering a spacer to the first face of the second pane.

12. The method of claim 7. wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the second face of the first pane includes the step of applying a sealant bead to the second face of the first pane.

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13. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the first face of the second pane includes the step of applying a sealant bead to the first face of the second pane.

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14. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the first face of the first pane includes the step of applying a mask to the first face of the first pane.

15. The method of claim 7, wherein the step of shielding at least a portion of the second face of the second pane includes the step of applying a mask to the second face of the second pane.

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16. The method of claim 7, wherein the deposit forming material comprises an epoxy crosslinker.

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17. The method of claim 7, wherein the deposit forming material comprises silane.

18. A combination, comprising:

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a first pane having a first face, a second face, and a periphery extending between the first face and the second face:

a second pane having a first face, a second face, and a periphery extending between the first face and the second face;

a spacer interposed between the second face of the first pane and the first face of the second pane;

a deposit overlaying at least a portion of the periphery of the first pane.

- 19. The combination of claim 18, wherein the spacer is interposed between the deposit and at least a portion of the second face of the first pane.
- 20. The combination of claim 18, wherein the spacer is interposed between the deposit and at least a portion of the first face of the second pane.
- 21. The combination of claim 18, further including a sealant bead adhered to the second face of the first pane.
- 22. The combination of claim 21, wherein the sealant bead is interposed between the deposit and at least a portion of the second face of the first pane.
- 23. The combination of claim 18, further including a sealant bead adhered to the first face of the second pane.

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- 24. The combination of claim 23, wherein the sealant bead is interposed between the deposit and at least a portion of the first face of the second pane.
- The combination of claim 18, further including a mask overlaying a masked portion of the first face of the first pane.
  - 26. The combination of claim 25, wherein the deposit overlays an unmasked portion of the first face of the first pane.
  - 27. The combination of claim 18, wherein the deposit overlays substantially the entire periphery of the first pane.
  - 28. The combination of claim 18, wherein the deposit overlays at least a portion of the periphery of the second pane.
  - 29. The combination of claim 28, wherein the deposit overlays substantially the entire periphery of the second pane.
- 30. The combination of claim 18, further including a mask overlaying a masked portion of the second face of the second pane.
  - 31. The combination of claim 30, wherein the deposit overlays an unmasked portion of the second face of the second pane.